

**Durham Police Department
2016 Second Quarter Report
August 15, 2016
Police Chief Cerelyn “C.J.” Davis**

The Durham Police Department reports on six measures – Part 1 Index Crime, Part 1 Violent Crime, Part 1 Property Crime, Clearance Rates, Sworn/Non-Sworn Staffing and Priority 1 Call Responses – every quarter. The report also includes significant arrests and activities, community events and outstanding performances.

Overall Part 1 crime (the total of Part 1 violent and property crimes) dropped by 10 percent during the first six months of 2016 compared to the same period in 2015. The decrease was driven by significant drops in the number of reported aggravated assaults and burglaries. Part 1 violent crime (homicide, rape, robbery and aggravated assault) dropped slightly during the first six months of 2016. Part 1 property crime (burglary, larceny and motor vehicle theft) decreased by 12 percent during the first half of 2016. Burglaries and overall property crimes were at three-year-lows. Property crime comprised 82 percent of all Part 1 crime and larcenies made up more than half – 55 percent – of Part 1 crime.

90-Day Violent Crime Initiative

The Durham Police Department conducted a 90-day operation targeting violent crime, particularly shootings and armed robberies. The operation focused on 23 individuals believed to be involved in crimes of this nature. The operation was conducted from May 1 through August 1. During this time, 17 of the 23 individuals were arrested (some multiple times) and two were sent back to the N.C. Department of Correction. Twelve of the 23 are on probation and six are currently in jail. Charges against the 17 people arrested ranged from traffic charges to breaking and entering, robbery with a dangerous weapon, discharging a firearm into occupied property, possession of a firearm by a felon and drug violations.

90-Day Operation Results

- Directed Patrols/Foot Patrols: 8,282
- Field Interviews/Intel Submissions: 146
- Knock and Talks: 580
- Search Warrants: 100
- Vehicle Stops: 1,071
- Traffic Citations – Infractions: 144
- Traffic Citations – Misdemeanor Charges: 163
- Arrest Warrants Served: 2,427
- Firearms Confiscated: 45
- Custodial Arrests: 1,072

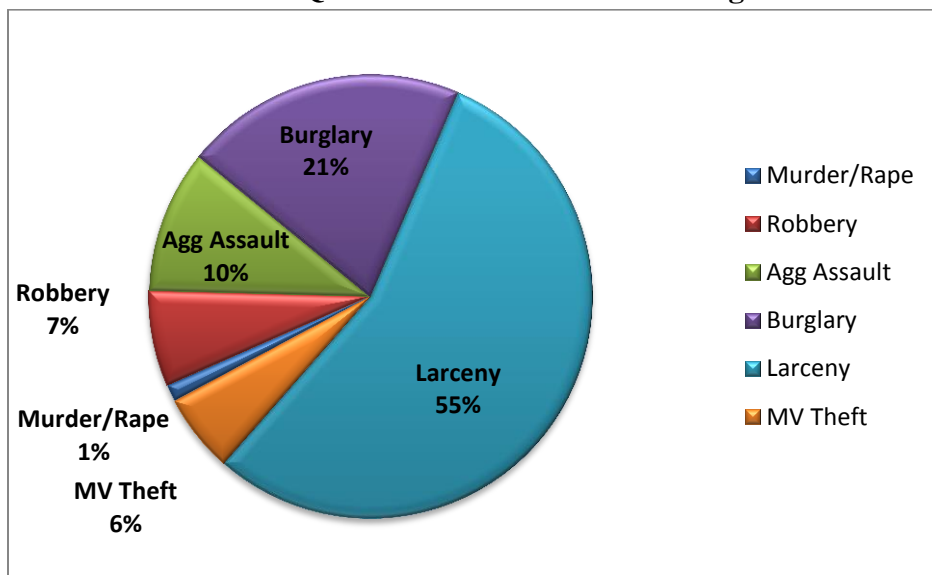
Part 1 Violent Crime – January through June

Part 1 Violent Crime	3-Year Avg	2014	2015	2016	% Change 2015-2016
Homicides	16	10	16	21	31%
Rapes	47	52	39	50	28%
Robberies	354	301	360	402	12%
Aggravated Assaults	618	587	664	604	-9%
Violent Crime	1035	950	1079	1077	Slight Decrease

Part 1 Property Crime – January through June

Part 1 Property Crime	3-Year Avg	2014	2015	2016	% Change 2015-2016
Burglaries	1529	1728	1670	1188	-29%
Larcenies	3248	3176	3391	3178	-6%
Motor Vehicle Thefts	309	293	305	330	8%
Property Crime	5086	5197	5366	4696	-12%
Index Crime	6121	6147	6445	5773	-10%

2016 2nd Quarter Part 1 Crime Percentages



Clearance Rates			
Crime Category	FBI 2014*	DPD 2015	DPD 2016 2Q
Homicide	63.7%	64.9%	76.19%
Rape	35.3%	29.7%	20%
Robbery	29.1%	29.2%	30.6%
Aggravated Assault	53.5%	37.9%	44.37%
Violent Crime	44.5%	35.1%	38.72%
Burglary	12.3%	12.1%	17.68%
Larceny	21.4%	21.5%	25.42%
Motor Vehicle Theft	11.1%	15.5%	20.91%
Property Crime	18.5%	18.3%	23.15%

Priority 1 Call Responses

The average response time to Priority 1 calls during the first six months was 6.25 minutes, which did not meet our target average of 5.8 minutes.

51.4 percent of Priority 1 calls were answered in under five minutes during the first six months. That did not meet the target of 57 percent.

Staffing Levels

There were 11 sworn vacancies at the end of the second quarter. The department has since filled all 512 positions but we have not yet filled the 20 new positions allocated to the department for this fiscal year. Twelve new recruits recently graduated from the BLET 43 academy in July. The BLET 44 academy with 18 DPD recruits (6 females) started on August 8.

Our non-sworn positions were 89 percent staffed at the end of the 2nd quarter. Those positions are currently 87 percent filled (16 vacancies)

Youth Arrests (16-17) and Juvenile Petitions (<16) for January-June 2016

Offense/Age	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	Grand Total
Aggravated Assault				1		5	1	7
All Other Offenses				2		23	38	63
Arson						1	1	2
Burglary					5	11	5	21
Disorderly Conduct							1	1
Driving While Impaired							1	1
Drug Violations					2	11	13	26
Forgery/Counterfeiting					1		1	2
Fraud				1	1	8	6	16
Homicide							1	1
Larceny	1		1	3	7	34	19	65
Non-Reportable Offenses					2	1		3
Offenses Against Family						2	2	4
Robbery			1	1	1	3	8	14
Simple Assault		2		1	3	13	8	27
Stolen Property					3	13	13	29
Vandalism	1			3	1	2	2	9
Weapon Violations				1		5	3	9
Grand Total	2	2	2	13	26	132	123	300

Statistics provided by the Police Department's Crime Analysis Unit

***Part 1 Domestic Violence Crimes
January-June***

	<i>YTD 2014</i>	<i>YTD 2015</i>	<i>YTD 2016</i>
<i>Murder</i>	0	2	4
<i>Rape</i>	10	7	7
<i>Robbery</i>	5	12	6
<i>Aggravated Assault</i>	143	146	129
<i>Violent Crime</i>	158	167	146
<i>Burglary</i>	42	39	53
<i>Larceny</i>	49	81	92
<i>Motor Vehicle Theft</i>	4	5	10
<i>Property Crime</i>	95	125	155
<i>Part 1 Index Crime</i>	253	292	301

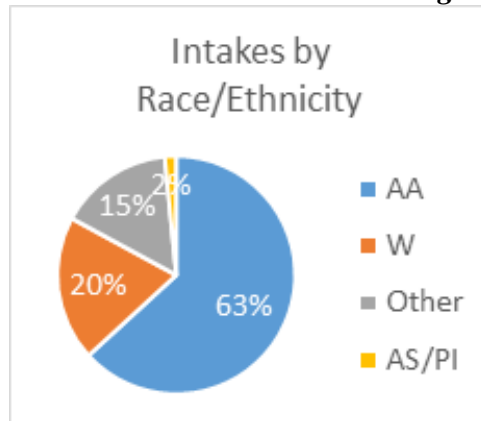
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***Part 2 Offenses
January to June***

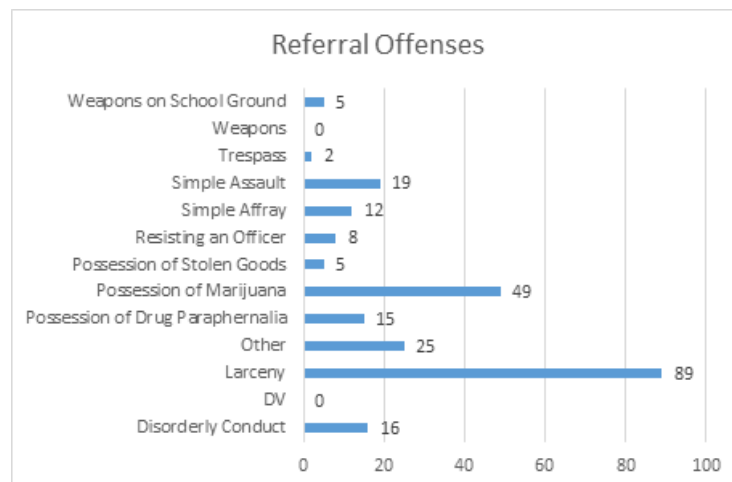
Offense	2015	2016
All Other Offenses	344	299
Arson	17	11
Disorderly Conduct	18	21
Driving While Impaired	209	262
Drug Violations	576	606
Embezzlement	70	74
Forgery/Counterfeiting	85	73
Fraud	779	805
Liquor Law Violations	8	13
Obscene Material/Pornography	8	14
Offenses Against Family	72	50
Prostitution	11	2
Sex Offense	56	58
Simple Assault	890	974
Stolen Property	29	27
Vandalism	876	853
Weapon Violations	143	135

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2016 Misdemeanor Diversion Program



	Total	Primary	Secondary	Tertiary	Total %	Primary %
Disorderly Conduct	16	5	7	4	6.53%	2.54%
DV	0	0	0	0	0.00%	0.00%
Larceny	89	85	3	1	36.33%	43.15%
Other	25	16	6	3	10.20%	8.12%
Possession of Drug Paraphernalia	15	6	9	0	6.12%	3.05%
Possession of Marijuana	49	47	2	0	20.00%	23.86%
Possession of Stolen Goods	5	4	1	0	2.04%	2.03%
Resisting an Officer	8	0	8	0	3.27%	0.00%
Simple Affray	12	12	0	0	4.90%	6.09%
Simple Assault	19	19	0	0	7.76%	9.64%
Trespass	2	0	1	1	0.82%	0.00%
Weapons	0	0	0	0	0.00%	0.00%
Weapons on School Ground	5	3	2	0	2.04%	1.52%
Blank/Unknown						
	245	197	39	9		



Police Recruit Applicants Tested During the 2nd Quarter 2016

2016 2nd Quarter	Number of Applicants	Failed Written Test	Failed Physical Test	Durham Residents Total	Durham Residents Failed Test
White Male	20	1	0	2	0
White Female	5	0	0	1	0
African-American Male	17	3	0	6	0
African-American Female	0	0	0	0	0
Latino Male	1	0	0	0	0
Latino Female	1	0	0	0	0
Asian Male	1	0	0	0	0
Other Male	1	0	0	1	0
Totals	46	4	0	10	0

Statistics provided by the Durham Police Department's Training Division

Recruiting Unit Job Fairs and Open Houses – The Recruiting Unit held nine open houses during the second quarter of 2016. They also attended job fairs at the following locations: William Peace University in Raleigh; Clemson University in Clemson, S.C.; West Virginia State University in Charleston, W.Va.; Fort Lee Military Job Fair in Charleston, W.Va.; Wake Technical Community College in Raleigh; Sampson Community College in Clinton; Wilson County Department of Social Services Career Fair in Wilson; Employer Days (two events) at Cherry Point Marine Corps Air Station, Cherry Point, N.C.; Women's Veterans Job Fair in Raleigh; North Carolina State University in Raleigh; Veterans' Job Fair in Jacksonville, N.C.; and Military Job Fair at Parris Island, S.C.

2nd Quarter Lifesaving Efforts



Officer DeVera



Officer Donovan



Officer Rocco

Cardiac Arrest - Officer F.M. DeVera of the Motor Unit was working a supplemental patrol around 2:15 a.m. on June 19 when he was flagged down for help with a medical situation. He saw a woman having a seizure in a driveway and alerted the Durham Emergency Communications Center. A short time later, Officer DeVera notified Durham 911 that the patient had become unconscious and unresponsive and he immediately started performing CPR.

Durham County EMS arrived on scene and advised the patient had no signs of life. Officer DeVera continued doing chest compressions as EMTs worked on the patient. Squad 1-C Officers M.D. Donovan and K.J. Rocco provided a chain

of relief and took over doing chest compressions. After approximately 20 minutes of CPR, the patient began displaying signs of life and was transported to the hospital for advanced medical care.

“Officers DeVera, Donovan and Rocco responded to a stressful situation where a person’s life was in jeopardy. They remembered their training and administered aid with the goal to preserve life. Their efforts were successful,” their supervisor wrote in a commendation.

The victim, who was newly married, fully recovered and has met with the officers to thank them for their lifesaving actions.

Burning Vehicle Rescue - Master Officer E.J. Jeffries (HEAT 1) and Officer T.A. Paylor (Squad 1-B) pulled an injured man to safety from a burning vehicle on April 3 following an accident on Holloway Street near Chester Street. The officers were handling a traffic accident behind a house in the 1000 block of Holloway Street when they heard a loud crash. They ran to the front of the house and saw a man and a moped lying in the road. The man was injured and unable to move. As the officers approached the moped, the moped and a stream of leaking gasoline caught fire.



The officers saw that the flames were burning at the man's feet and he still was unable to move. MO Jeffries pulled the man away from the flames while Officer Paylor grabbed a fire extinguisher and attempted to put out the fire. The moped had burned down to its frame by the time firefighters arrived a short time later. The man was taken to the hospital for treatment of injuries suffered in the collision. The injuries did not appear to be life-threatening.

Attempted Suicide Rescue –Squad 2-C Officer J.D. Turner saved a suicidal teen who was about to jump off a bridge. Multiple people called 911 around 10:45 p.m. on April 11 to report a person sitting on the Fulton Street bridge over the Durham Freeway. When Officer Turner arrived he found a distraught 19-year-old man sitting on the bridge railing. Officer Turner attempted to talk the teen out of jumping, but the teen did not respond. Officer Turner continued to try to communicate with the teen and as he was talking, he slowly inched closer to the teen. After several moments, Officer Turner saw the teen start to lean forward to jump off the bridge. Officer Turner lunged at the teen, grabbed him and pulled him backward over the railing to safety on the roadway of the bridge. The teen was taken to the hospital for treatment.



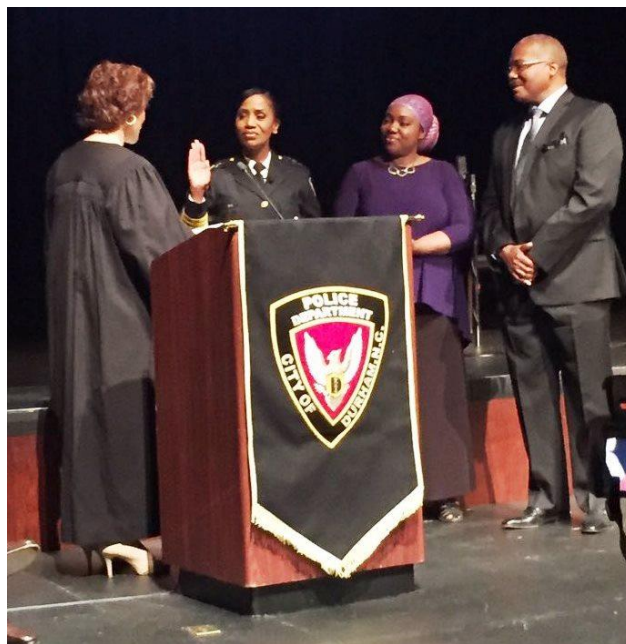
“Officer Turner’s actions went above and beyond the call of duty by putting himself in harm’s way to assist a citizen that was in a mental crisis. His compassion, quick actions and calmness under extreme pressure were paramount in saving the man’s life and getting him the medical and mental health assistance that he needed. Officer Turner is to be commended for his dedication both to the Durham Police Department and the citizens of Durham,” his supervisor wrote in a letter of commendation.

Cardiac Arrest Call - The crew of Durham County EMS Medic 22 commended Squad 4-C Cpl. N.M. Cloninger, Squad 4-A Cpl. R.S. Packard, Squad 4-A Officer K.M. Blevins and Squad 4-A Officer D.B. Daye for their handling of a call on April 23. Officers responded to a call about a person in medical distress. Officer Blevins arrived first and discovered a female who was not breathing and did not have a pulse. Officer Blevins started performing CPR on the female. Cpl. Cloninger arrived a short time later and took over CPR until Cpl. Packard arrived with a defibrillator. Officer Daye arrived to assist as well. EMS arrived and continued resuscitation efforts. The female was transported to the hospital for further treatment. EMS contacted the watch commander to report that the officers “did an excellent job in patient care until the medics arrived.”

Significant 2nd Quarter Events

Swearing In of Police Chief Cerelyn “CJ” Davis - New Durham Police Chief Cerelyn “CJ” Davis was officially sworn in on June 10 at the Carolina Theatre.

Chief Davis, a 30-year law enforcement veteran and Durham’s first female African-American police chief, came to Durham from the Atlanta Police Department, where she most recently served as deputy police chief.



Durham Peace Officers Memorial Service

Peace Officers Memorial Service - The annual Durham Peace Officers Memorial Service was held on April 29 at Grey Stone Church. The service is held to remember law enforcement officers who died in the line of duty and to honor their families. The service, which is hosted by Durham County Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #2, also pays tribute to current and retired law enforcement officers.

The service honored the following Durham police officers who died in the line of duty:

- Sgt. Gill P. Cates – May 28, 1913
- Officer Rowland A. Gill – June 10, 1933
- Officer J. Clarence Price – December 3, 1939
- Investigator Larry Douglas Bullock – April 29, 1976
- Public Safety Officer Gary Eugene Fletcher – February 14, 1978
- Cpl. Billy T. Gregory – April 24, 2004
- Officer Charles J. Callemyn – February 7, 2007



Awards and Honors

Durham Jaycees Outstanding Young Public Servant -

Durham Police Officer Jacob West was honored as the Durham Jaycees Outstanding Young Public Servant for 2016. During the past two years, Officer West has helped save the lives of three people, developed a project to assist the homeless in his patrol district, won four DPD service awards and survived being ambushed and shot at on Christmas night in 2014.



The Outstanding Young Public Servant Award honors correctional officers, firefighters, law enforcement officers, EMS workers or other rescuers aged 21-40 who are full-time or volunteer employees of one of the aforementioned areas, and through their own resources, have achieved success and leadership in their professions and who have contributed to their communities by being active in civic work.

Durham Civitan Club's Louis J. Carver Outstanding Service

Award - Investigator Jesus Sandoval of the Special Victims Unit received the 2016 Durham Civitan Club's Louis J. Carver Outstanding Service Award in May. The nomination read, in part, "A 16-year veteran of the agency, Det. Sandoval has distinguished himself as an intuitive, skilled, compassionate police officer, who is extremely dedicated to his profession and the Durham community.



Det. Sandoval currently works in the Special Victims Unit of the Criminal Investigations Division where his expertise and commitment to solving cases, and the support he provides for the people he serves, is highly valued. Throughout his career Det. Sandoval has demonstrated a spirit of altruism and selflessness for the victims of crimes, their families and his fellow co-workers. A very thorough investigator, each case is independently important to Det. Sandoval. He never considers a case to be unsolvable and works diligently toward successful outcomes. He is known to accept cases on short notice and never turns away from an opportunity to assist other investigators."

Tactical Training Certificate - Sgt. N.M. Schneider of the Training Division recently completed the 500-hour advanced Tactical Training Certificate program at the North Carolina Justice Academy. Officers who complete this program will acquire the skills and principles necessary for promoting their personal safety and professional development, enabling them to become more proficient as tactical/patrol officers.

West Point Leadership Graduates – Six Durham Police Department employees graduated from the Methodist College West Point Leadership Program. The graduates include Mary Roberts (Crime Analysis Unit Supervisor), Sgt. Paul Tyler (Squad 3-A), Lt. Jonathan Friedrick (Criminal Investigations Division), Lt. Tammy Restrepo (A Squad Watch Commander), Sgt. Keith Johnson (District 3 CID) and Lt. Melissa Bishop (District 2 Assistant Commander).



This is an academically rigorous course that relies heavily on the case study method of learning. The course examines and integrates leadership in organizations from four perspectives: the individual, the group, the leader, and the organization.

DPD SWAT Softball Champions - The Durham Police Department's women's softball team, SWAT (Softball With Attitude Team), won the 2nd Annual "Shields Take the Field" softball tournament for the second year in a row. SWAT was undefeated in six games. DPD team members included Capt. Marianne Bond, Investigators Maria Stevenson, Debi Smith and Keisha Owens, and Officers Kristen Kozar and Jenny Hollingsworth. The tournament, which was hosted by the North Carolina Lady Troopers, was held in Concord on April 22-24 and raised approximately \$8,000 for Special Olympics.



Law Enforcement United Road to Hope Bicycle Ride - DPD Cpl. R.L. Lafferty, Cpl. A.K. Richards and Officer J.B. Knight rode their bicycles approximately 250 miles in three days in May to raise money for the families of fallen officers as part of Law Enforcement United Road to Hope. Several hundred officers rode from Chesapeake, Va., to Washington, D.C., where they observed National Police Week.



Animal Rescues

Although the Durham Police Department is not the primary agency to handle animal calls, they handled some unusual calls involving animals during the second quarter.

Animal Abuse Arrest – On May 17, Officer R.J. Preston responded to a disturbance call in the 2100 block of North Roxboro Street. Officer Preston was advised that a dog was being assaulted behind this location and quickly went to find the dog. Officer Preston chased the suspect who immediately fled the scene once he saw Officer Preston. The suspect - 33-year-old Charles Halsey IV - was caught and, after confirming through video surveillance that the suspect abused the dog, Officer Preston arrested Halsey and charged him with animal cruelty. Officer Preston rescued the badly injured dog. Animal Control was contacted and took the dog to be treated. The hospital bill for the dog was \$4,500. The dog is doing much better now and one of Officer Preston's fellow officers is actively trying to adopt the dog.

Turtle Rescue - When Squad 3-C Officer R.D. Taylor recently checked on a stopped vehicle with its flashers on, he was quite surprised to find out why the driver had stopped. She told him there was a turtle stuck under her car, which she had found after hearing a loud noise. The driver was thrilled that Officer Taylor took the time to rescue the turtle and sent a note to thank him.

"I just wanted to extend my sincere thanks. Not only am I grateful that you took the time to stop, but also, on a pretty hot day, you exhibited compassion towards my situation," the driver wrote. "After explaining I had a turtle stuck under my car, you didn't laugh at me or drive off. But rather you attempted to find a solution. I haven't experienced such sincerity from an officer in quite a long time. And I was shocked that you were willing to get on your knees and to potentially "get dirty," all for the sake of assisting me. I spoke about you for days to anyone who would listen," she said.

"Thanks for being an animal lover and an awesome police officer. I really appreciated you," she added.

Officer Taylor said he didn't mind helping out because he loves animals and didn't want the turtle to be harmed.



Community Outreach



HEAT 2 Freeze Pops - Officers from the District 2 HEAT unit found a new way to get to know Durham residents – they handed out more than 500 free freeze pops all over town on June 18. The officers purchased 600 freeze pops, coolers and dry ice with their own money.

“Following the operation, more than 544 fortunate new friends found their feelings fairer and their hearts fulfilled, having been furnished a frozen and flavorful feast of freeze pops,” according to HEAT 2 officers.

The officers handed out freeze pops at Northgate Park, Duke Park, Forest Hills Park, Central Park, the

downtown plaza, Oxford Manor, McDougald Terrace, Glenbrook Drive, Broad Street, Macon Street, Washington Street and Green Street.

Bicycles for Children - On June 3, Durham police officers were able to make wishes come true for four children, thanks to a generous donation from an anonymous donor. The donor made it possible for Officer M.D. Henderson and other officers to provide bicycles, helmets and bike locks to the children who were featured in a DPD Facebook post in May.



It all started when Officer Henderson answered a disturbance call about a bicycle at an apartment complex in District 3. He learned that a father had found a bicycle near a trash Dumpster and fixed it up for his children to ride. The bicycle’s original owner saw the children riding the refurbished bicycle and wanted it back. Officer Henderson had to return the bicycle to its owner and the children were distressed over the loss of the bicycle. Family members are refugees from Africa and have little money for extras such as toys. Officer Henderson hated to see the children upset so he took \$40 of his own money and bought the children toys.

The anonymous donor read the Facebook post and provided \$500 so the children could have bicycles. The children’s faces lit up with smiles when officers delivered the bicycles and helmets.

Dancing Officer Facebook Video - Squad 1-C Officer S.J. Crossan took some extra time while on patrol to get to know some residents at an apartment complex on Cheek Road on June 12. Officer Crossan, who was working a supplemental patrol, demonstrated his dance moves much to the delight of several children (and a few adults as well). This video was originally posted on Facebook by a resident and shared with our department. The video Facebook set a DPD Facebook record for reach (more than 445,000 people reached). The video was shared approximately 2,000 times and received approximately 3,000 “likes” and “loves.”



Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN) Community Outreach - In June, Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN) facilitated a youth activity (DPD vehicle display) at DHA’s Cornwallis Road and Franklin Village communities. Project Safe Neighborhoods has been focusing on these communities for the past several months and the PSN coordinator has held several activities for children and adults.



‘Let It Shine’ - Officers assisted with the June 6 “Let Your Light Shine” event at McDougald Terrace.

“Let Your Light Shine” was coordinated by Resident Council President Ashley Cannady, Durham Police Master Officer C.S. Barkley and Property Manager Cheryl Roberts.

Residents were given lights for their front and back porch light fixtures and encouraged to turn the lights on from dusk to dawn.



District 3 and District 4 Commanders’ Tours – Districts 3 and 4 held their Commanders’ Tours during the second quarter. The tours allow residents to meet with district commanders and officers to discuss safety concerns and community issues in a relaxed atmosphere.



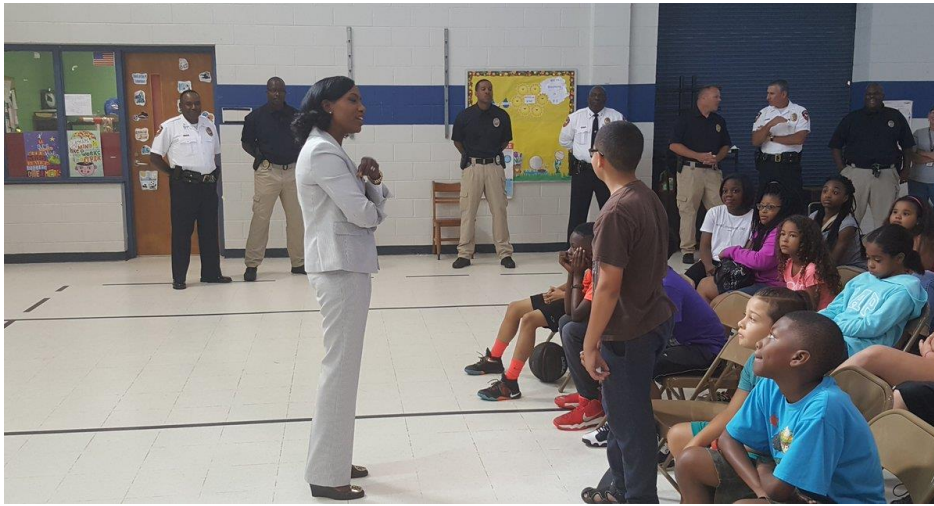
Bicycle Safety Pep Rally - Sgt. Brian Massengill and officers from Bicycle Squad 30 held a bicycle safety pep rally in April at Global Scholars Academy on Dowd Street. The officers worked with the students to ensure that they are safe while having fun riding their bicycles.



Community Services Bureau Activities

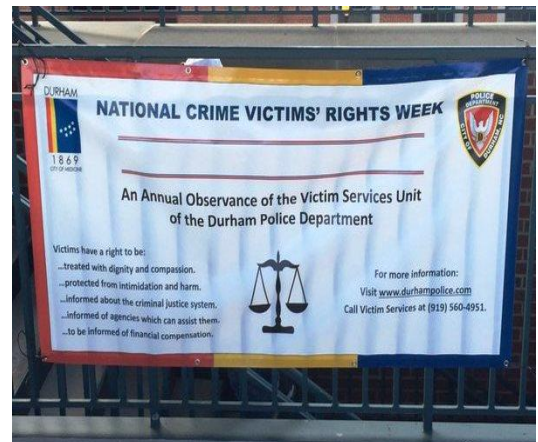
Safety Night – On June 23, officers conducted a Safety Night at 900 East Main Street (Calvert Place) for approximately 30 adults and 60 kids. Officers passed out information about CrimeStoppers and Nextdoor as well as footballs, stickers and Frisbees. Officers played basketball and threw Frisbees with the kids. Food was served and music was played.

GREAT Camp – Session 1 - The GREAT Unit hosted GREAT Camp 1 where 26 campers ages 11 to 14 were provided with the opportunity to visit awesome venues such as the Carolina Tiger Rescue, Wet & Wild Water Park, Falls Lake where GREAT officers grilled food and provided some of the best baked beans in Durham. The campers also participated in a forensics tour and demonstrations from the Durham Police Department's Selective Enforcement Team (SET), K9 Unit and Motor Unit. They also attended a session of Teen Court and there will be guest speakers from the criminal justice field.



Police Chief C.J. Davis speaks to campers at GREAT camp

National Crime Victims' Rights Week (April 10-16) - DPD's 2016 observance included a Family Fun Day Kickoff at the Durham Bulls Athletic Park on Sunday, April 10. Participating families served by the Victim Services Unit enjoyed an afternoon of baseball, hot dogs and friendship with victim advocates and police staff. Each family received a fun package and family portrait to commemorate the outing. DPD victim advocates also supported activities of the NC Victim Assistance Network in Raleigh as well. The events included a remembrance ceremony and a memorial garden ceremony.



Threshold Clubhouse Lunch -

On May 11, CIT Officer K.R. Hunter paid for and provided lunch for all members of Threshold Clubhouse, which serves adults in Durham with severe and persistent mental illness. The Threshold Clubhouse posted this thank you on their Facebook page – “Threshold Clubhouse would like to thank Officer Kendrick Hunter (Durham CIT Officer of the Year) for sponsoring the meals for all of our members today. He is a great example of community policing in action!! Thank you Officer Hunter!!”



Inv. Hunter is assigned to the DPD’s Crisis Intervention Team (CIT)/Mental Health Outreach Program (MHOP) Unit and was the DPD’s 2015 CIT Officer of the Year. “Inv. Hunter continues to be an exemplary ambassador for the Durham Police Department and the furthering of partnerships within the community,” his supervisor said.

Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) Training - Four Durham police officers attended a one-week (40-hour) Crisis Intervention Team training class in June. The department currently has 210 certified CIT officers.

GREAT Citizens Safety Committee Trip - The GREAT Unit’s Officers A.D. McCallop, T.A. Guess, K.A. Hopkins and M.L. Walkowe attended the annual Citizens Safety Committee trip to Washington D.C. traveling with Durham County Sheriff’s Dept. and selected students from Durham Public Schools. The three-day trip, which was held from May 6 to May 8, allowed students who participated in the GREAT program to tour the nation’s capital.

Gang Awareness Presentation –The GREAT Unit’s Cpl. H.M. Crenshaw and Officer A, Foxworth gave a gang awareness presentation at District 5 substation to students from the Carolina Friends School.

Neighborhood and Community Watch

Workshop – More than 100 people attended the annual Neighborhood and Community Watch workshop, which was held on April 16 at the Carolina Theater. Session topics included Online Safety, Watch For Me NC (pedestrian/crosswalk safety), Forensics Accreditation, Nextdoor/RaidsOnline, Citizen Observer Patrol and Police Protocols. This year's theme was *"Safety Takes Center Stage."*



Robbery Awareness Initiative – Officers from the Community Resource Unit began a robbery awareness initiative to provide safety tips to employees of all the convenience stores in Durham. As of June 30, officers had distributed more 200 informational fliers throughout the city. Contact numbers and emails were recorded or updated to make future contact more efficient.

Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) Assessments – Officers from the Community Resource Unit handled 15 CPTED assessments at local businesses during the second quarter.

Police Athletic League (PAL) Activities – Officers from the Community Resource Unit partnered with the Durham Parks & Recreation Department to organize and coach several PAL basketball and baseball games and practices during the second quarter. More than 1,000 people participated in PAL activities.

Neighborhood Watch Programs – During the second quarter, community resource officers established five new Neighborhood Watch programs during the second quarter of 2016. There are currently 173 active Neighborhood Watch programs.

Cops on Top – Chick-Fil-A's Cops on Top, which benefits the DPD Torch Run for Special Olympics, was held on May 6 at Chick-Fil-A locations on North Roxboro Road and Hillsborough Road. The event raised \$3,862.71 for North Carolina Special Olympics

Red Nose Day - The GREAT Unit officers participated in the Red Nose Day on May 26. This national event raises awareness about childhood poverty.



Special Olympics Torch Run - Durham Police Department (DPD) officers and non-sworn employees hit the streets on June 2 for the department's 11-mile leg of the 2016 North Carolina Torch Run Relay that benefits North Carolina Special Olympics.

So far this year DPD has raised nearly \$5,000 through its Torch Run campaigns and recent COPS on TOPS event. Since 2008, DPD has raised approximately \$50,000 for the N.C. Special Olympics.

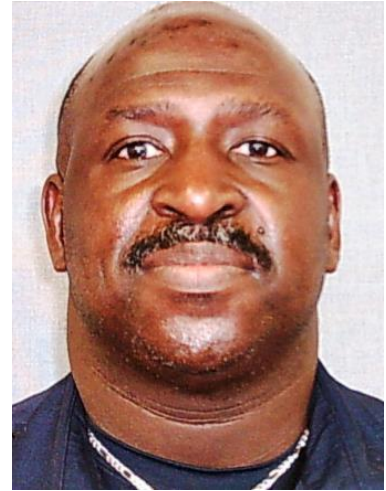


Durham County Special Olympics Spring Games - Officers and commanders from the Durham Police Department cheered on and supported Special Olympic athletes during the Durham County Special Olympics Spring Games held at Durham Academy Upper School on April 25.



Community Outreach Featured Officer – Sgt. V.B. Pearsall, Squad 2-A

Sgt. V.B. Pearsall, who joined the Durham Police Department in 1995, spends much of his time working in the community. Here are a few examples of his activities during 2016:



- May 12 - Sgt. Pearsall was asked to speak to members of a basketball team at a local middle school at the request of the coach. He wanted Sgt. Pearsall to have a candid conversation with team members about drugs and peer pressure.
- May 21 - Sgt. Pearsall attended the Women's Prayer Breakfast at Russell Memorial Church at 703 S. Alston Avenue.
- May 21 - Sgt. Pearsall attended the Community Resource Expo for students with disabilities at the Hillandale Staff Development Center
- May 21 - Sgt. Pearsall attended/monitored the area of the Bimbe Festival at Durham County Stadium.
- May 21 - Sgt. Pearsall attended and monitored the funeral service of a young man who was shot to death.
- June.25 - Sgt. Pearsall attended the Men's Conference workshop at Union Baptist Church. Topics for kids 10 years and older included bullying, peer pressure and conflict resolution. He also discussed encounters with law enforcement. Topics for men were Men's role in his Family, Church and Community.
- March 26 - Sgt. Pearsall attended a prayer service in Lakeview Park. The event was hosted by Mount Level Church) for the victims of a recent homicide and shooting.
- March 26 - Sgt. Pearsall attended the City Street Festival at Red Maple Park.
- March 26 - Sgt. Pearsall spoke with several parents who are having problem with their teenage sons. (Sgt. Pearsall followed up with each parent with a recommended program.)
- February 13 - Sgt. Pearsall spoke at Emmanuel AME Church on Riddle Rd. for their Men's Day kick off and discussed how do kids/teens respond when encountering the police.
- January 3 - Sgt. Pearsall and officers from Squad 2-A served a hot breakfast to the homeless at Russell Memorial CME Church on South Alston Avenue.
- January 12 - Sgt. Pearsall spoke with the senior citizens of Russell Memorial CME Church on the topics of Senior Citizen Safety and Gang Awareness.

Operations and Initiatives

‘There’s Your Sign’ Parking Operation - Bike 20 officers conducted operation "There's Your Sign" during the month of May in an effort to deter improper parking. This allowed motorists and pedestrians to navigate safely on Rigsbee Avenue and surrounding areas. The operation yielded 124 parking tickets, one citation, one vehicle stop, one warning ticket, and three pedestrians contacted.

‘Mac Canvass’ – Officers handed out more than 300 flyers during a June 23 canvass of all 60 apartment buildings in the McDougald Terrace neighborhood. The canvass was held following three shooting incidents within a week.

Chief Davis and officers from the Criminal Investigations Division, the HEAT units, the Special Operations Division and patrol went to every apartment in the complex to gather information about recent incidents and to pass out information.



‘Ops Cardio on the ATT’ – Investigators from the District Four Criminal Investigations Division started a special operation called “Ops Cardio” on June 8. They plan to continue until the end of August. The operation is being conducted on the American Tobacco Trail, primarily in Districts 3 & 4. The objective of the operation was to conduct surveillance, deter and prevent criminal activity, heighten community awareness, provide general safety tips, encourage community support and to identify and/or apprehend the suspects who were committing armed robberies and aggravated assaults in the area. No suspects were apprehended, but the aggravated assaults and robberies in the area ceased.

Traffic Services School Zone Operations – Traffic Services officers looked at every school zone in the city and determined which ones needed enforcement action. Officers rotated between those schools and conducted operations at two different schools every week. Officers conducted 50 operations and stopped 248 vehicles from January through June of 2016.

Traffic Services Nighttime Seatbelt Operations – The National Highway Transportation Safety Administration (NHTSA) has conducted studies looking into the relationship of night time seatbelt usage and motor vehicle crash fatalities. Through their studies they found that seatbelt usage is lowest in the evening hours (7pm-7am). Fatality data show that fatally injured occupants during the late night hours are a large portion of all U.S. fatalities and that further progress in reducing fatalities could be achieved by getting more late-night occupants to buckle up. From January to June 2016, Traffic Services officers conducted 16 operations and stopped 151 drivers who did not have seatbelts properly fastened.

Traffic Services Work Zone Operations - NC 147 (Durham Freeway) and US 70 both have a long term road construction project in full swing. The project will link NC 147 to Interstate 85. The project will disrupt various roadways for the next few years. From the project's start, the Traffic Services Unit has taken a proactive approach to these areas in order to slow traffic down and prevent any fatalities. From January to June, Traffic Services officers conducted 104 speed operations and stopped 268 vehicles for speeding in the work zone.

'Booze It and Lose It' DWI Checkpoints - On April 23, the Durham Police Department, the Durham County Sheriff's Office, and the N.C. State Highway Patrol conducted a DWI Checkpoint at the Durham/Chapel Hill line on NC Highway 54. Officers made seven DWI arrests and one felony arrest and issued numerous other traffic-related citations.

On Saturday, June 25 officers from the Durham Police Department, Durham County Sheriff's Office, NCCU Police, Hillsborough PD, Chapel Hill PD, and the Orange County Sheriff's Office partnered together to conduct a daytime "Booze It or Lose It" operation on Baptist Road near Falls Lake.

Officers arrested one drunk driver and wrote 20 citations for other traffic charges. Numerous people thanked the officers for holding the checkpoint. Word must have spread to the lake area because one person went through the checkpoint numerous times with different carloads of people. Officers were pleased about that because we prevented several people from getting behind the wheel after drinking.



Significant Violent Crime Arrests

Homicide Arrests

Symoud Lewis Homicide Arrests - Three men and one woman were charged with murder in connection with the March 16 fatal shooting of 23-year-old Symoud Lewis in a parking lot at 530 Hardee Street. The incident did not appear to be a random act, according to investigators.

Darryl Lamont Moye, 19, of Durham was arrested on April 12 on a murder charge. He was indicted later for attempted robbery with a dangerous weapon and conspiracy to commit robbery with a dangerous weapon. Marquis Kejuan Burnett, 17, was arrested on April 15 on charges of murder, attempted robbery with a dangerous weapon and conspiracy to commit robbery with a dangerous weapon. Devonte Lamar Jackson, 23, of Oxford was arrested on April 28 on the same charges as Moye and Burnett. Investigators are still trying to locate 19-year-old E'Monie Wilds of Durham who is wanted on the same charges.

Donald Fields Sr. Homicide Arrest – A Durham man – 23-year-old Donald Fields Jr. – was arrested on June 26 and charged with murder in the fatal stabbing of his father, 54-year-old Donald Fields Sr. Officers responded to a call in the 3400 block of Marquis Drive at 12:23 p.m. on June 26 and found Donald Fields Sr., who had been stabbed multiple times. He was taken to the hospital, where he died a short time later.

Nafez Jalal Homicide Arrest - Timothy Leon Moore, 23, was charged with murder in connection with an April homicide at the Fast Food Mart, 2106 Broad Street. Officers responded to a shooting at the convenience store shortly after 11 p.m. on April 27. When they arrived, they found 57-year-old Nafez Jalal deceased inside the store. A second man also suffered a gunshot wound and was taken to the hospital for treatment of injuries that do not appear to be life-threatening. Both men were employees at the store and the shooting apparently happened during an armed robbery.

Moore was arrested by North Carolina state troopers on May 15 on charges of murder, assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill, felony conspiracy and two counts of robbery with a dangerous weapon.

Moore was also indicted on July 5 for murder in connection with the April 12, 2013 fatal shooting of 19-year-old JeJuan Taylor Jr. at 311 South LaSalle Street. Three other people have also been charged in connection with the murder.

Spencer Harrison Homicide Arrests – Two men have been arrested and a third is wanted for the fatal shooting of 21-year-old Spencer Harrison, who was murdered on April 4 in front of an apartment in the 4800 block of University Drive. Nathaniel Antonio Nelson, 26, of Durham was arrested on April 18 and charged with murder and attempted robbery with a dangerous weapon in connection with this case. Dominique Percell, 20, was arrested on June 22 on charges of murder, attempted robbery with a dangerous weapon and felony conspiracy. Investigators are still trying to locate Anthony Terry, 21, of Durham on murder and conspiracy charges.

Cedric Page Homicide Arrest – Elena Khanberg, 54, was arrested and charged with murdering 53-year-old Cedric Page in late June. Officers were dispatched to a call at the apartment the two shared in the 1500 block of Sedgefield Street shortly after midnight on June 17. When they arrived, they found Page unconscious inside the apartment. He had suffered blunt force trauma to his head. Investigators arrested Khanberg at that time and charged her with felony assault on a handicapped person. Page died as a result of his injuries on June 25 and the charge against Khanberg was upgraded to murder.

Christopher Turner Homicide Arrests – Twin brothers Ari and Jordan Shlasinger, 26, of Durham were arrested and charged with fatally shooting 27-year-old Christopher Turner on April 14 in the 400 block of East Piedmont Street.

Officers were dispatched to the call around 3:30 a.m. and found Turner lying in a yard. He was taken to the hospital, where he was pronounced dead a short time later.

J'Corey Bailey Homicide Arrest – Durham police investigators arrested Ladaren Deshawn Parker, 20, of Durham on May 5 and charged him with murder in connection with an April homicide on Ashe Street. Officers were dispatched to a shooting call in the 2800 block of Ashe Street shortly before 1 p.m. on April 25. When officers arrived, they found a male lying in the yard at 2805 Ashe Street. The male – J'Corey Terrell Bailey, 27, of Durham – was pronounced dead at the scene. Bailey and Parker knew each other, according to investigators. Parker also suffered a gunshot wound during the shooting and was hospitalized for a week.

2015 Homicide Arrest – A Durham teen was arrested on manslaughter charges in June in connection with a November 2015 homicide on Wabash Street. Officers responded to a shooting call in McDougald Terrace on November 8. When they arrived they found Jermaine Bennett, 18, of Durham, who had suffered a gunshot wound. He was taken to the hospital, where he died a short time later. The suspect, who was 15 at the time of the shooting, has been charged as a juvenile and placed in the Durham County Youth Home. The victim and suspect knew each other, according to investigators, and the incident was not random.

Robbery and Aggravated Assault Arrests

Robbery Arrest – On April 21, officers were dispatched to a robbery on Vale Street. A woman told officers a man dragged her off her porch and across her yard before stealing her purse. The suspect was wearing an ankle bracelet and officers located him a short time later on Weldon Terrace. Officers charged Tomain Wilson, 26, with common-law robbery. The victim's purse was recovered.

Robbery/Shooting Arrest – A male was robbed and shot in the leg around 4:30 a.m. on June 11 at the Joy Mart, 3801 North Duke Street. Officers were given a detailed description of the suspect. Officer J.K. Conser responded to an unrelated call on Broad Street around 10 a.m. and saw a man who matched the description of the suspect. Officers charged the man – 24-year-old Mario Collins – with robbery with a dangerous weapon and assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill inflicting serious injury.

Walgreens Robbery Arrests – On May 16, Durham police officers arrested four men on robbery charges, just minutes after an armed robbery was reported at Walgreens at 6405 Fayetteville Road. Officers responded to a robbery in progress at Walgreens shortly after 3 a.m. They were told that three men wearing masks and armed with guns entered the business and demanded money. They forced employees to lie on the floor and then fled in an orange Dodge Neon driven by a fourth person. The suspects and vehicle matched the description of suspects who had robbed Walgreens on West Williams Street in Apex around 2:30 a.m. today. A short time later, Durham Police Officer A.P. Ramos spotted an orange Dodge Neon occupied by four males a few blocks from Walgreens and stopped it. Officers found property belonging to the victims inside the vehicle.

Durham police investigators charged Armand Devone Mullen, 25, of Hampton, Virginia, Dallas Cogdell III, 23, of Hampton, Virginia, Dikembwe Jones, 24, of Newport News, Virginia and Tyquan Maccutcheon, 23, of Hampton, Virginia, each with three counts of robbery with a dangerous weapon, three counts of second-degree kidnapping and one count of felony conspiracy. Investigators from the Apex Police Department charged all four men with four counts of robbery with a dangerous weapon, one count of second-degree kidnapping and one count of felony conspiracy. The four men are also facing numerous charges in connection with armed robberies in Virginia.

Robbery/Kidnapping Charges - Donnell Vincelle Holley, 25, of Durham was arrested on robbery and kidnapping charges following an armed robbery June 27 at the ABC Check Cashing Store at 1221 University Drive. Officers responded to a robbery in progress call at the business shortly after 8:30 p.m. An employee told officers he was going to his vehicle in the parking lot when two males forced him into the vehicle at gunpoint. The males tied him up in the vehicle

and took his phone and wallet. The victim was able to escape and run for help while the suspects were inside the store.

Officers tracked one suspect through a creek behind the business and caught him a short time later. Holley was charged with robbery with a dangerous weapon, first-degree kidnapping, breaking and entering (the business), larceny after breaking and entering, damage to property and resisting a public officer.

Robbery Arrests - Justin Edwards Spears, 25, of Greensboro was charged with committing several armed robberies in April, which primarily targeted victims in apartment complex parking lots.

Spears was charged in connection with the following incidents:

- **April 6 in the 1800 block of Chapel Hill Road** – Two men were standing in a parking lot when a male approached them, pointed a gun at them and demanded everything in their pockets. Spears was charged with two counts of robbery with a dangerous weapon, two counts of second-degree kidnapping, two counts of assault by pointing a gun and two counts of felony conspiracy.
- **April 12 in the 3500 block of Mayfair Street** – Two males were in the parking lot when a man armed with a gun approached them and demanded their phones. One victim at first refused to give up his phone and the suspect fired several shots, damaging two vehicles in the parking lot. Spears was charged with two counts of robbery with a dangerous weapon, two counts of assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill and two counts of injury to property.
- **April 12 on Snowcrest Trail** – A male and female were walking across the parking lot shortly before 9:30 p.m. when a male with a gun in each hand approached them and demanded their wallets. A car drove by, startling the suspect, and he fled without taking anything. Spears was charged with two counts of attempted robbery with a dangerous weapon, two counts of assault by pointing a gun and two counts of second-degree kidnapping.
- **April 12 on Snowcrest Trail** – A male was standing outside an apartment around 9:50 p.m. when a male approached him and asked for a cigarette. The man then pulled out two guns and demanded money. Spears was charged with robbery with a dangerous weapon, second-degree kidnapping and assault by pointing a gun.
- **April 12 on Copper Ridge Road** – The victim was in the parking lot around 10:30 p.m. when a male with a gun in each hand approached him and took his phone, dress pants and other items. Spears was charged with robbery with a dangerous weapon, assault by pointing a gun and second-degree kidnapping.

Robbery Arrest – A man was mowing his lawn on May 5 on Clarendon Street when he was approached by a man who hit him twice in the back of the head with an expandable baton and then robbed him of cash. A description of the suspect was broadcast to all officers. Officer E.J. O'Rourke was responding to the call when he spotted man matching the description of Guess Road. The man – 26-year-old Reginald Armstrong – was arrested and charged with robbery with a dangerous weapon and assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill, inflicting serious injury. The victim was taken to the hospital for treatment of his injuries.

Robbery Arrests – Two men have been charged with robbing the Handi Mart at 518 East Trinity Avenue at gunpoint on April 28. Four males with their faces covered entered the business shortly before 10:30 p.m., forced a female employee to the ground and robbed the business. Investigators charged Lenox Edward Perry, 17, and Antoine McNair, 17, with robbery with a dangerous weapon, kidnapping and felony conspiracy. Perry is also charged with robbery in connection with a June 16 armed robbery on Seven Oaks Road. A woman and her juvenile daughter were walking on Seven Oaks Road when two men armed with knives grabbed the woman's purse and ran.

Bank Robbery Arrests – Two men were arrested and charged with robbing PNC Bank at 2213 N.C. 54 East on April 11. A man wearing a mask over his face and armed with a gun entered the bank and robbed it around 2:30 p.m. A short time later, officers arrested Brandon Watley, 33, and Samuel Sampson Miller, 32 both of Durham, inside a house on N.C. 55. Both men were charged with robbery with a dangerous weapon and felony conspiracy. Miller was also charged with three counts of assault by pointing a gun, four counts of second-degree kidnapping and possession of a firearm by a convicted felon.

Robbery Arrest – A man was working on a motorcycle on Demille Street on May 23 when a vehicle pulled up and three men got out and robbed him at gunpoint of jewelry, a wallet, cash and keys. Christopher Jamal Coburn, 27, was arrested and charged with robbery with a dangerous weapon, second-degree kidnapping and felony conspiracy.

Robbery Charge – A female was robbed June 10 on Keystone Place by a male who put a gun to her head and knocked her to the ground. The suspect took the victim's cash and phone. Investigators charged Omary Anthony Contreras, 21, robbery with a dangerous weapon and assault inflicting serious injury.

Shooting/Robbery Arrest – Jeremy Devon Riddick, 22, of Durham was arrested in April on shooting and robbery charges in connection with a January robbery on Chapel Hill Road. Officers responded to a shooting call at an apartment building in the 1800 block of Chapel Hill Road around 10:45 p.m. on January 12. When they arrived, they found a 37-year-old male who had been shot five times. He was taken to the hospital for treatment of serious injuries.

The victim told officers he had just gotten out of his car when a man armed with a gun approached him and demanded money. The victim told officers he was getting his wallet out of his pocket when the male shot him, grabbed his wallet and ran away.

Investigators charged Riddick with attempted first-degree murder, assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill inflicting serious injury, robbery with a dangerous weapon and assault by pointing a gun. The warrants were served on Riddick in the Durham County Jail where he was already incarcerated on burglary, drug and weapons charges. He is also jailed on a felony probation charge.

Shooting Arrests - Three men were arrested and charged in connection with a shooting and chase on April 27. One of the men - 27-year-old Jamol Louis Dixon - was also charged with firing shots at officers following the chase. No one was injured.

Officers were dispatched to a shooting call in the 3800 block of Dearborn Drive shortly after 2:30 p.m. on April 27. Shots were fired into an occupied apartment by several males in a silver Honda Accord. No one inside the apartment was injured. The apartment and a vehicle parked in front of the apartment were damaged by gunfire. K9 Officer K.A. Schooley spotted the silver Honda a short time later going south on North Roxboro Street and attempted to stop it. The driver did not stop and turned onto Club Boulevard. The Honda struck a vehicle at the intersection of Club Boulevard and Hillandale Road, but the Honda kept going on Hillandale Road. The chase ended when the Honda crashed into a car near the intersection of Erwin Road and Fulton Street.

The four occupants of the vehicle jumped out and ran. Shots were fired at two Durham officers but they were not injured. Officers caught Larry Kirkland Jr., 18, and Nicholas Banks, 20, and placed them under arrest. Kirkland was arrested in Duke University Hospital after a foot chase of approximately one half mile. Warrants were later taken out on Dixon and investigators are still trying to identify the fourth occupant of the vehicle.

Dixon, Kirkland and Banks were all charged with possession of a stolen motor vehicle, felony conspiracy, discharging a firearm into an occupied dwelling and injury to property. Kirkland is also charged with hit-and-run, hit-and-run involving injury, felony fleeing to elude arrest and larceny of a vehicle (the silver Honda was stolen on April 26). Additional charges against Dixon include two counts of assault on a law enforcement officer with a firearm, going armed to the terror of the public discharging a firearm within the city limits and possession of a firearm by a convicted felon.

Robbery/Vehicle Break-In Charges - Ledarius Rumsey Samuel, 18, of Durham was arrested on numerous felony charges on June 22. He was charged with robbing a woman at gunpoint on April 22 at an apartment complex on Chapel Hill Road. The woman was walking to an apartment building when a male approached her and demanded her purse. Samuel was also charged with possession of property stolen during several vehicle break-ins in the area of Bridgefield Place and Neal Road during June. The stolen items included several sets of keys, phones and headphones. He was also charged with possession of packages stolen off a porch on Bridgefield Place. The charges against Samuel include robbery with a dangerous weapon, conspiracy to commit robbery with a dangerous weapon, assault by pointing a gun, larceny of motor vehicle, breaking and entering to a motor vehicle and five counts of possession of stolen goods.

Robbery/Shooting Arrest – A 55-year-old man was riding his bicycle on Chapel Hill Road near Palmer Street on April 25 when two males approached him, pushed him and knocked him off his bicycle. The victim fought back, but the suspects managed to grab his wallet. One suspect pulled out a gun and fired several rounds at the victim as the victim attempted to flee. A District 3 investigator, who was in the area as part of an undercover robbery prevention operation, witnessed the shooting and called for assistance. Officers caught 20-year-old Hanza Muhammad-Raines and charged him with robbery with a dangerous weapon, assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill and conspiracy. The victim was treated for a gunshot graze wound to his eyebrow and lacerations.

Robbery Arrests – Two teens were arrested and charged with robbing a man at gunpoint on Lucas Drive on June 17. The victim told officers that two men approached him, put a gun to his neck and took his phone. One man – Jamarie Charles Peterson, 17, of Durham – was arrested a short time later after a brief foot chase by Squad 4-C officers. Jamien Baptist, 16, was arrested nine days later after Officers A.P. Reuther and R.M. Cone spotted him on South Miami Boulevard. Both teens were charged with robbery with a dangerous weapon and felony conspiracy. Baptist and Peterson were also charged with assault and false imprisonment in connection with a June 11 incident at a fast food restaurant. They are charged with assaulting two customers and blocking a door so they could not leave the restaurant.

Robbery Arrest – On April 17, three people were on Blue Crest Lane when a man approached them and demanded money. The man implied he had a gun and threatened to shoot the victims. The suspect took cash from the victims' vehicle and fled. Security officers at Duke Manor Apartments apprehended Joshua Barbee, 20, a short time later. Officers charged Barbee with three counts of robbery with a dangerous weapon.

Robbery Arrests – Two people were arrested and charged with robbing a 15-year-old male on Roanoke Street on April 24. The teen was jumped by four males who took his shoes, phone and laptop. The suspects allegedly punched the victim with their fists and threatened to shoot him.

Samuel D. Parker, 20, and Shaquan Godfrey, 17, were both charged with robbery with a dangerous weapon and attempting to obtain property by false pretense.

Robbery Arrests – On April 28, a man was getting out of his car at an apartment complex at 219 South Alston Avenue when two teens approached him and robbed him at gunpoint. Officers broadcast a description of the suspects and two teens matching the descriptions were caught a short time later.

Keyshawn Marrow, 16, and a 14-year-old male were arrested and charged with robbery with a dangerous weapon, felony conspiracy and possession of stolen goods. Marrow was also charged with possession of marijuana with the intent to manufacture, sell or deliver, assault by pointing a gun, contributing to the delinquency of a minor and resisting, delaying and obstructing officers. The 14-year-old was also charged with possession of a firearm by a minor and carrying a concealed gun. Officers recovered a firearm, marijuana and the victim's property.

Robbery Arrest – The victims were cleaning their vehicle at a car wash on Avondale Drive on April 11 when four men who claimed to be armed with a gun approached them. The suspects took the victims' phones, wallets, cash and vehicle. Officer S.J. Crossan spotted the stolen vehicle a short time later on Mallard Avenue. The suspects drove over a curb and down an embankment before crashing into a tree. A 14-year-old juvenile was charged with possession of a stolen vehicle. Brian Carrington, 20, of Durham was later arrested on two charges of common-law robbery.

Home Invasion Shooting Arrest – Okeith Taylor, 31, of Durham was arrested and charged in connection with an April 13 home invasion and shooting in the 900 block of Massey Avenue. When officers arrived at the scene they found a man with multiple gunshot wounds. A man identified as Taylor fled the area in a white vehicle following the incident. Shortly thereafter, officers received a report that the suspect, later identified as Taylor, had been dropped off at an area hospital with multiple gunshot wounds. Taylor's injuries were later reported as non-life-threatening and it was determined that he forced his way into the residence with a gun. Taylor was charged with assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill inflicting serious injury, first-degree kidnapping, attempted robbery with a dangerous weapon, possession of a firearm by a convicted felon, breaking and entering, three counts of second-degree kidnapping and assault on a female.

Shooting Arrests – Two people were injured during a shooting in the 1000 block of North Miami Boulevard on April 1. Two males fired shots at each other as they got off a bus. One of the two suffered a non-life-threatening gunshot wound to his back. A man placing an order at a nearby taco truck was shot in the leg. Investigators charged Jonathan Jaqman Peaks, 23, with possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. Keyontae Deshawn Datcher, 16, was charged with

two counts of assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill, inflicting serious injury and one count of possession of a firearm by a minor.

Shooting Arrest – Timothy Jamia Williams, 21, of Durham was arrested and charged in connection with a shooting at an apartment complex at 5110 Old Chapel Hill Road on April 11. Williams was charged with two counts of assault with a deadly weapon inflicting serious injury and two counts of felony conspiracy. Officers responded to a call at the apartment complex shortly before 11 p.m. on April 11. Three people were inside an apartment when two men, one armed with a gun, knocked on the door and entered the apartment. The suspects fired several shots and fled.

A 22-year-old female in the apartment was treated for a graze gunshot wound to her hand. A 21-year-old male suffered a gunshot wound to his calf and a 20-year-old male injured his hands when he jumped out of a third story window. All three were taken to the hospital for treatment of injuries that did not appear to be life-threatening. The incident was not random, according to investigators. The case remains under investigation.

Significant Property Crime Arrest

Larceny/Vehicle Break-In Arrests – Courvosier Cox, 16, is facing more than three dozen charges in connection with larcenies and vehicle break-ins that have occurred during the first six months of 2016, primarily in the downtown area. Cox was first arrested after a vehicle break-in was reported on Foster Street. A distinctive Coach purse, a wallet, credit cards and other items were taken from a van. A credit card stolen during the vehicle break-in was used several times in the next two days. Investigators followed up on the stolen credit card and were able to link the purchases to Cox. He was charged with attempting to obtain property by false pretense, breaking and entering to a motor vehicle, financial card fraud, misdemeanor larceny, two counts of identity theft and two counts of obtaining property by false pretense.

Investigators served a search warrant at Cox's home on Rosedale Avenue and recovered numerous stolen items including the Coach purse, seven laptop computers, 16 cell phones, one multimedia projector (stolen from a local high school), six iPads, one violin and 11 backpacks. Many of these items had been stolen during vehicle break-ins. In most cases, the vehicles were unlocked and the items were in plain view, according to investigators. Some other items were taken from downtown businesses. The suspect apparently walked into the buildings and took items from empty offices.

As a result of the search warrant, additional charges were filed against Cox. Those charges include 27 counts of possession of stolen property, one count of breaking and entering a motor vehicle, one count of financial card theft, one count of misdemeanor larceny, two counts of identity theft and two counts of obtaining property by false pretense.

Drug Trafficking Arrests

Cocaine Trafficking Arrest – On May 3, HEAT 3 officers conducted a traffic stop for a speeding violation on Cranford Road near Academy Road. The driver, Dominique Arrington, 27 was charged with trafficking cocaine, trafficking cocaine by transport, possession of methamphetamine with the intent to manufacture, sell or deliver, possession of a firearm by a convicted felon, carrying a concealed handgun and two other drug charges. Officers confiscated methamphetamine, cocaine and a .45-caliber semi-automatic handgun. Arrington was also served with warrants charging him with breaking into a home on Stardust Drive in November and stealing guitars.

Methamphetamine Trafficking Arrests – On May 12, investigators discovered a methamphetamine lab at 4108 League Way. Gregory Goldstein, 54, and Christie Lee, 44, were arrested and charged with manufacturing methamphetamine and possession of precursors for the purpose of manufacturing methamphetamine. Reports from the North Carolina State Crime Lab indicated that 2,666 grams of methamphetamine were seized from the house. Goldstein and Lee were then charged with trafficking methamphetamine Level III by possession and manufacturing and conspiracy to traffic methamphetamine. A veteran SBI agent described the lab as the largest lab he has seen in the over 200 labs he has assisted with. Due to the quantity of chemicals on-scene, a hazmat contractor was contacted to respond to re-mediate the chemicals.

Cocaine Trafficking Arrests – On June 28, the Major Crimes Unit concluded a long-term investigation into a drug trafficking cell operating in the Durham area. Two people - Luz Romero-Ponce and Oseas Vazquez-Alvares – were charged with trafficking in cocaine and other felony drug violations. Vazquez-Alvares is a wanted fugitive from ICE.

Cocaine Trafficking Arrest – On April 7, investigators arrested Shon Ellison, 44, of Durham after confiscating approximately five kilos of cocaine and a firearm. Ellison was charged with four counts of trafficking in cocaine, maintaining a vehicle for drug sales and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Cocaine Trafficking Arrest – On May 6, investigators stopped Frank Leathers Jr., 22, near Hope Valley Road and charged him with 13 felony drug offenses including four counts of trafficking in cocaine.

Operation Pill Drop - The Major Crimes Unit and Violent Incident Response Team (VIRT) partnered with the Drug Enforcement Administration to conduct Operation Pill Drop from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on April 30. Approximately 853 pounds of medication was collected, which included morphine, Fentanyl, Hydrocodone and other highly addictive substances. The medication was taken to the N.C. State Bureau of Investigation on May 3 for proper disposal.

DPD April 2016 Employees of the Month

District 1 – Master Officer E.J. Jeffries (HEAT 1) and Officer T.A. Paylor (Squad 1-B) - Master Officer Jeffries and Officer Paylor pulled an injured man to safety from a burning vehicle on April 3 following an accident on Holloway Street near Chester Street.

District 2 – Officer R.L. Preston, Squad 2-B – Officer Preston responded to a call about an unknown male who was exposing himself to children at a church playground and solved the case after a two-day investigation. Officer Preston did a thorough follow up and was able to come up with the name and address of a suspect. Officer Preston charged him with felony indecent exposure.

Officer Preston has a passion for the job and the community, according to his commander, Capt. Gregory Pickrell. He mentors two children and often stops to play basketball with children in his district. “He is diligent on his calls and is an asset to the job,” Pickrell said.

District 3 – Investigator K. Owens, District 3 CID – Investigator Owens and other District 3 investigators conducted an undercover investigation focusing on robberies that happened in District 3 during April. While conducting surveillance on April 25, Investigator Owens witnessed an armed robbery/aggravated assault and was able to direct officers and K9 to the suspect. Investigator Owens arrested the man and charged him with robbery with a dangerous weapon, assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill and felony conspiracy.

District 4 – Officer K.M. Blevins (Squad 4-A) – On April 23, officers responded to an overdose call. Officer Blevins discovered an unresponsive female and began doing CPR. Cpl. Randall Packard was able to use an AED as a lifesaving measure. Paramedics commended the actions of the responding officers. “Officer Blevins has proven herself to be a valuable asset to the department and the community,” according to District 4 Commander, Capt. Terrence Sembly. (Officer Blevins was also named District 4 Employee of the Month in January 2016).

Central District – K-9 Officer KA. Schooley – On April 27, officers responded to a shooting call on Dearborn Drive. Shots had been fired into an apartment and a vehicle was seen leaving the scene. Officer Schooley spotted the vehicle occupied by four males on North Roxboro Street near East Club Boulevard and attempted to stop it. The driver sped away and led officers on a chase for several miles before crashing in front of Duke University Hospital. “The pursuit and Officer Schooley’s actions on the radio were exemplary,” said Central District Capt. George Zeipekkis.

After the crash, one of the occupants of the vehicle ran into the hospital. Officer Schooley pursued him into the hospital, down a hallway and down a flight of stairs. She confronted the suspect inside the hospital and was able to arrest him. Shots were fired at the officers after the

vehicle crashed. Officer Schooley's actions exemplified courage, tenacity and professionalism, Zeipekkis said. (K-9 Officer Schooley was also named Central District Officer of the Month in March 2016).

Forensic Services Unit – Crime Scene Investigator (CSI) Jacquelyn Horman – CSI Horman was recognized for her commitment to a cold case homicide project. She has been working closely with homicide investigators and has created an extensive database. She has looked through evidence from old cases to see if it can now be re-tested with new, updated technology.

“She has done a tremendous amount of work. She comes in early and stays late. She is a great asset to the team and the division in general,” said her supervisor.

Administrative Services Bureau – Tanija Brown, Records Specialist – The crime analyst position for District 4 was vacant and Tanija Brown stepped in to help out. She has worked hard to be sure that information is available to District 4 commanders and investigators in a timely manner. “She understands how critical it is,” said Jason Schiess, Analytical Services Manager. “She has been doing parts of duties for three different positions.”

DPD May 2016 Employees of the Month

District 2 – Officers J.M. Fullam and J.H. Wagstaff, Squad 2-D – On May 25, Officers Fullam and Wagstaff responded to a disturbance with a weapon call at a local restaurant and learned that BB shots had been fired into the restaurant. The officers were given a description of a suspect and realized that this matched the description of a man they had dealt with previously and who lived nearby. The officers quickly located the suspect, found a BB pistol in his pocket and placed him under arrest. A patron at the restaurant sent the city manager a letter commending the actions of Officers Fullam and Wagstaff. According to their commanders, “Officers Fullam and Wagstaff demonstrated superb investigative, observation and memory recall skills. Officers Fullam and Wagstaff should be applauded for their attention to detail and diligence in their job performance and efforts to follow their instincts.”

District 3 – Officer M.D. Henderson, Squad 3-D – Officer Henderson was recognized for his kind-hearted treatment of several children he encountered during a disturbance call about a bicycle at Oak Creek Village Apartments. He learned that a father had found a bicycle near a trash Dumpster and fixed it up for his children to ride. The bicycle's original owner saw the children riding the refurbished bicycle and wanted it back. Officer Henderson had to return the bicycle to its owner and the children were distressed over the loss of the bicycle. Family members are refugees from Africa and have little money for extras such as toys. Officer Henderson hated to see the children upset so he took \$40 of his own money and bought the children toys. The information was posted on Facebook and an anonymous donor provided \$500

so the children could have bicycles. Officer Henderson and other officers from Squad 3-D delivered bicycles, helmets bike locks to the children on June 3. His commanders described Henderson as “an outstanding officer” and “a fine representative of what the DPD should be.”

District 4 – Officer A.P. Ramos, Squad 4-A – Officer Ramos was recognized for apprehending four suspects who had just robbed a Walgreens in Durham at gunpoint on May 16. The same suspects had robbed a Walgreens in Apex an hour earlier. They are suspects in at least 25 additional robberies up and down the East Coast.

Officers responded to a robbery in progress at Walgreens were told that three men wearing masks and armed with guns entered the business and demanded money. They forced employees to lie on the floor and then fled in an orange Dodge Neon driven by a fourth person. A few minutes later, Ramos spotted an orange Dodge Neon occupied by four males a few blocks from Walgreens and stopped it. Officers found property belonging to the victims inside the vehicle. Investigators charged four men from Virginia with numerous felony offenses.

Central District – Investigator D.P. Strandh, Traffic Services Unit – Investigator Strandh was recognized for his work in traffic safety. Investigator Strandh has made 23 driving while impaired (DWI) arrests so far this year. His cases are very thorough and he consistently wins his cases in court. He has received many commendations for his work from the Durham County District Attorney’s Office.

Special Operations Division – Investigator J.G. Green, Major Crimes Unit – The Durham Police Department has been focusing on 23 people as part of its Violent Crime Initiative. Investigator Green did an undercover operation focusing on one of the 23 and made several drug buys from him. Investigators recently took him into custody on 15 felony charges and confiscated crack cocaine and firearms. The suspect was on federal probation and the case has been referred for federal prosecution.

Analytical Services Division – Carol Worley, Records Specialist – Carol Worley recently transitioned to records support and has done a wonderful job, according to supervisors. She processes numerous reports via mail and is also the primary contact for processing homicide files (24 in May). She is also the point of contact for specific SBI forms and willingly helps out on the front desk when needed. She was described as “a consummate team player.”

Forensic Services Division – Crime Lab Supervisor Alison Hutchens – Alison Hutchens recently investigated a case involving counterfeit money and used latent processing to get a hit. Her supervisor said she went above and beyond and did a superb job. She has been working an average of 15 extra hours a week because the unit currently has no fulltime latent examiners. She has also helped write reports, plan a new CSI hiring process and helped four other North Carolina agencies apply for forensics accreditation.

Community Services Division – Officer K.R. Hunter, CIT/MHOP - Officer Hunter has been passionate about the Crisis Intervention Training (CIT) program and was named 2015 CIT Officer of the Year. Officer Hunter often works with residents at Threshold Clubhouse, which provides assistance to adults with mental illness, and one day he bought lunch for everyone there. Officer Hunter is now the DPD VA CIT specialist. Officer Hunter, a military veteran, took it upon himself to get them the help they need. His supervisors described him as “a really great police officer.”

DPD June 2016 Employees of the Month

District 1 – Motor Unit Officer F.M. DeVera Rodrigues and Squad 1-C Officers M.D.

Donovan and K.J. Rocco - Officer F.M. DeVera of the Motor Unit was working a supplemental patrol around 2:15 a.m. on June 19 when he was flagged down for help with a medical situation. He saw a woman having a seizure in a driveway and alerted the Durham Emergency Communications Center. A short time later, Officer DeVera notified Durham 911 that the patient had become unconscious and unresponsive and he immediately started performing CPR.

Durham County EMS arrived on scene and advised the patient had no signs of life. Officer DeVera continued doing chest compressions as EMTs worked on the patient. Squad 1-C Officers M.D. Donovan and K.J. Rocco provided a chain of relief and took over doing chest compressions. After approximately 20 minutes of CPR, the patient began displaying signs of life and was transported to the hospital for advanced medical care.

“Officers DeVera, Donovan and Rocco responded to a stressful situation where a person’s life was in jeopardy. They remembered their training and administered aid with the goal to preserve life. Their efforts were successful,” their supervisor wrote in a commendation.

“There were family members of the victim on the scene. They witnessed their loved one suffer this medical event and were understandably distraught. During the course of the treatment, they witnessed the Emergency Services (Fire, EMS and Police) of Durham work as a team and trained professionals. They were grateful in the efforts made by all and verbally thanked us,” he added.

District 2 – Sgt. Dale Gunter, HEAT 2 – Sgt. Gunter was recognized for his community policing skills and a HEAT 2 outreach effort on June 18. Sgt. Gunter and HEAT 2 officers handed out more than 500 free freeze pops all over town. The officers purchased 600 freeze pops, coolers and dry ice with their own money. The officers handed them out at Northgate Park, Duke Park, Forest Hills Park, Central Park, the downtown plaza, Oxford Manor, McDougald Terrace, Glenbrook Drive, Broad Street, Macon Street. Washington Street and Green Street.

“Following the operation, more than 544 fortunate new friends found their feelings fairer and their hearts fulfilled, having been furnished a frozen and flavorful feast of freeze pops,” according to Sgt. Gunter.

His commanders recognized him for his genuine compassion and knack for creating positive interactions with the community. “He reached out in a unique manner and what he did is the essence of community policing,” his commanders said.

2016 Durham Police Department Service Awards Ceremony – May 19

Community Service Medal (Non DPD Employees)

Jan Cromartie/Wilma Harris – Mr. Cromartie and Mrs. Harris helped apprehend a man who had stolen a woman’s purse as she was walking to church.

Charles Lyons, DHA Resident Safety Coordinator – Mr. Lyons was recognized for his assistance in the annual National Night Out event, his above and beyond work in the Durham Housing Authority communities and his mentoring of youth in the community.

Durham CrimeStoppers Board – The 12-member board was recognized for their work in fighting crime in the Durham community for the past 33 years. CrimeStoppers, which is based on anonymity and offers rewards for information leading to arrests in felony cases, has helped with the arrests of hundreds of people in the past three decades.

Sheryl Smith, Franklin Village – Ms. Smith, who is vice president of the Franklin Village community, was recognized for her work in improving the quality of life in Franklin Village and throughout the Durham community.

Mina Hampton/Diane Jones, Parents of Murdered Children – Mina Hampton and Diane Jones are co-leaders of the Durham chapter of Parents of Murdered Children, the only chapter of POMC in the state. They provide advice, comfort and support to family members who have lost children to violence.

Community Service Medal (DPD Employees)

Officers M.T. Gist/J.B. Eason/R.C. Flippin/A.P. Ramos/R.S. Turner/S.J. Roman – These officers were recognized for assisting a woman after responding to a “check on the welfare” call. The officers organized their own equipment and dedicated a day off to scrubbing and cleaning the woman’s house so it would be ready for her when she got home from the hospital.

Officer R.A. Armstrong – Officer Armstrong was the driving force behind ensuring that Durham police officers are equipped with emergency tourniquets. The tourniquets have already been used to help save two lives.

Regina Medina, Forensic Services Unit – Ms. Medina was recognized for her volunteer work, particularly Toys for Tots and sending Christmas cards to troops overseas.

Cpl. F.A. Kearns/Cpl. T.A. Scozzafava/Officer W.M. Fleeman – These officers were recognized for their work with Durham’s unsheltered homeless people and their work with the Point In Time Count of Durham’s homeless people.

Sgt. V.D. Bynum/Sgt. R. Garcia/Officer D.B. Daye/Officer R.M. Cone/Officer A.P. Reuther/Officer L.E. Thomas/Officer J.T. West/Officer M.L. Hodrick – These officers were recognized for their work in the Southside community.

Certificate of Merit

Officer D.L. Cramer Jr. – Officer Cramer was recognized for using an emergency tourniquet to help save the life of a man bleeding heavily from a stab wound to his brachial artery.

Investigator J.D. Evans – Investigator Evans was recognized for his work with the U.S. Marshals Service federal task force and for his volunteer work in the Durham community.

Officer K.R. Jackson – Officer Jackson was honored for performing CPR on an unresponsive man. The man was revived and taken to the hospital for further treatment.

Master Officer B.B. Parrott – Master Officer Parrott was honored for his work as the Durham CrimeStoppers coordinator.

Cpl. R. Andrzejewski Jr./Cpl. C.A. Fennell – Corporals Andrzejewski and Fennell were recognized for saving the life of a suicidal man who was threatening to jump off a railroad bridge.

Cpl. F.A. Kearns/Officer J.R. Montoya/Officer D.C. Harris (now with Cary PD)/Officer M.L. Davis (now with Morrisville PD)/Officer R.S. Harris/Officer R.S. Turner – These officers were recognized for their actions at a call in which a man threw his young children in an apartment complex lake.

Officer K.L. Geyer/Officer M.D. Garvin/K9 Officer K.A. Schooley/Officer R.S. Turner – These officers were honored for their handling of a dangerous situation in which a man was holding a female hostage inside a McDonald’s restaurant.

Police Medal

Dillon Evans – Dillon Evans, an employee of Eagle Eye Security, was honored for his actions during a shooting/home invasion in an apartment complex. Evans was shot twice and suffered grave injuries. He has undergone several surgeries and is recovering from his injuries.

Distinguished Service Medal

Master Officer D.P. Rausch – Master Officer Rausch of the K9 Unit was recognized for his work in capturing five suspects in a series of armed robberies in eastern Durham.

Master Officer J.R. Broadwell – Master Officer Broadwell was recognized for his work in capturing armed kidnapping suspects while he was off-duty. Master Officer Broadwell also rescued the kidnapping victim.

Civilian of the Year

Diana Palladino – Diana Palladino, the DPD’s Accreditation Manager, was recognized for her work in preparing the department for the 2016 CALEA re-accreditation process. She was also recognized for her work in updating the department’s general orders and the implementation of a new software system.

Officer of the Year

Officer R.A. Armstrong – Officer Armstrong, Squad 1-D, was recognized for the work he did to ensure that patrol officers are provided with emergency tourniquets. Officer Armstrong used one to save a life. He was also recognized for outstanding police work.

Purple Heart

Investigator T.J. Douglass & Investigator J.C. Valle-Avelares – Investigators Douglass and Valle-Avelares received the Purple Heart as a result of a traffic stop involving a narcotics suspect. The suspect initially stopped, but he then put his car into reverse and rammed Investigator Valle-Avelares’ vehicle. He then put the car in drive and, in an attempt to leave the scene, struck Investigator Douglass, throwing him to the ground. Both investigators suffered serious injuries during the incident.

Medal of Valor

Investigator J.C. Valle-Avelares – During the traffic stop mentioned above, Investigator Valle-Avelares used his damaged vehicle to ram the suspect's vehicle as it sped out of control toward NC 55, which was heavily congested with traffic. His actions preserved the lives of not only his fellow investigators but the lives of motorists on N.C. 55. He put himself in clear risk of personal injury by stopping the suspect; however, he put the safety of others before his own safety and demonstrated true bravery.

Sgt. G.H. Price Jr. – Sgt. Glen Price was able to save the life of a hostage at McDonald's on Tower Boulevard. Sgt. Price spoke with the suspect for several minutes and pleaded with him to let the hostage go. When Sgt. Price realized that the suspect had no intention of releasing the female hostage, he shot the suspect in the jaw, causing him to let the hostage go. Sgt. Price remained calm under very difficult and volatile circumstances and reacted quickly to save the life of an innocent woman. Sgt. Price displayed gallantry and bravery at a clear risk to personal safety.

Officer J.M. Fullam/Officer C.C. Richards/Officer J.K. Conser – On July 4, 2015, Officers Conser, Fullam and Richards were dispatched to an armed robbery in progress with shots fired at Joy Food Mart, 2109 North Roxboro Street. Officers Conser and Richards arrived within two minutes of the dispatch and Officer Fullam arrived shortly after.

Officer Richards reported hearing shots fired from inside the store and the suspect, Dmarlo Johnson, exited the business still armed with a gun. Johnson pointed a gun at the officers and refused to drop his gun. Johnson fired shots at the officers and they returned fire. Johnson ran into the roadway and Officer Fullam fired at Johnson, causing him to drop to the ground. Officers were told there might be a second suspect in the store. Believing there might be more gunfire, Officer Richards moved Johnson to a safe place so he would not be further injured. When officers went inside the business, they found that the clerk had been shot to death.

Officers Conser, Fullam and Richards demonstrated extreme courage while facing imminent peril. These officers displayed gallantry and bravery at a clear risk to personal safety. Their actions distinguished them as officers who acted far above and beyond the call of duty.